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Applicant(s): Jeffrey Robert Fergusson						
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Invention: YIELDING STRATA BOLT						
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.